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# **PROPERLY DOCUMENTED COMPLAINT WITH RESPECT TO THE ALLEGED DUMPING OF HEAVY PLATE FROM CHINESE TAIPEI, GERMANY, SOUTH KOREA, MALAYSIA, AND TURKEY**

For the Minister

## **ISSUE**

The purpose of this note is to inform you of the receipt of a properly documented complaint from Algoma Steel Inc., regarding the alleged injurious dumping of certain hot-rolled carbon steel heavy plate and high-strength low-alloy steel heavy plate from Chinese Taipei, Germany, South Korea, Malaysia, and Turkey.

On April 27, 2020, the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) will inform the complainant and the governments of Chinese Taipei, Germany, South Korea, Malaysia, and Turkey that a properly documented complaint has been received concerning the alleged injurious dumping of the above-mentioned goods.

## **BACKGROUND**

Canadian industry has the legislated right to be protected from unfairly priced imports, including goods that have been dumped. Dumping occurs when goods are sold to importers in Canada at prices that are less than their selling prices in the exporter's domestic market or at unprofitable prices.

On April 6, 2020, the CBSA received a written complaint from Algoma Steel Inc. of Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, regarding the alleged injurious dumping of certain heavy plate from Chinese Taipei, Germany, South Korea, Malaysia, and Turkey.

The Canadian market size for heavy plate has been estimated to be approximately

In accordance with the *Special Import Measures Act* (SIMA), the CBSA has up to 21 days after receipt of the complaint to determine whether it is properly documented. The CBSA must decide on or before May 27, 2020, whether to initiate an investigation into this matter. In accordance with SIMA, preliminary determinations are usually rendered within 90 days of the initiation of such investigations.

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## CONSIDERATIONS

Although the governments of the exporting countries must be notified when a complaint is deemed to be properly documented, the filing of a complaint is not publicized by the CBSA unless an investigation is initiated. This prevents unnecessary disruptions in the marketplace.

On April 27, 2020, the complainant and the governments of Chinese Taipei, Germany, South Korea, Malaysia, and Turkey will be informed in writing that the complaint has been received and that it is properly documented.

## NEXT STEPS

If an investigation is initiated, the CBSA will issue a public notification and forward questionnaires to all known importers and exporters to determine whether the goods are being dumped.

Please note that I am available to discuss, or have CBSA officials brief your staff, at your convenience.



April 20, 2020

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John Ossowski  
President

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